

MINUTES
Workforce Connection
Of Central New Mexico
Special Full Board Meeting
Monday, November 14, 2011
Mid-Region Council of Governments
809 Copper NW, Albuquerque, NM 87102
1:30 pm

Call to Order: 1:39 pm – Senator John Sapien, Chair

Roll Call - Determination of Quorum - by Ramona Chavez

Present

- Odes Armijo-Caster
- Paul Baca
- Doug Calderwood
- Manuel Casias
- Robert Davey
- Stephanie Hanosh
- Kyle Lee
- Rita Gallegos Logan
- Kathy McCormick
- Dr. Susan Murphy
- Virginia Murphy
- Norman Ration
- Dr. Emily Salazar
- Paul Sanchez
- Randy Sanchez
- Senator John Sapien
- Jim Summers
- Mike Swisher
- Sherry TenClay

Absent

- William Alberti
- Steve Anaya
- Jeff Armijo
- Ken Carson
- LeAnn Collins
- Keith Franklin
- Reyes Gonzales
- Paul Kress
- Carrie Moritomo
- Eric Renz-Whitmore
- Honorable Jack Torres

Quorum Established

Stephanie Hanosh, Chair-Elect introduced Connie Elsbury, Ticket to Work Director with Life Roots. Wanted to invite her along and introduce to some people that work with the adult services.

Approval of Monday, November 14, 2011 Agenda

Motion: Mike Swisher

Second: Randy Sanchez

No Discussion

Action: Passed unanimously by voice vote

Tab 1: Approval of Minutes, Full Board: August 15, 2011

Motion: Robert Davey

Second: Rita Gallegos Logan

No Discussion

Action: Passed unanimously by voice vote

Tab 2: Monthly Expenditure Report for October 2011

- Jesse Turley, WCCNM Accounting Manager, explained the WIA monthly expenditure report and American and Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) reports for October 2011.
- Year-to-date formula expenditures for the current period total four hundred and fifty-two thousand, eight hundred and eighty-six dollars (\$452,886) with year-to-date expenditures of almost \$1.2 Million,
- ARRA expenditures for the current period total fifty-nine thousand, one hundred and thirty-four dollars (\$59,134) with year-to-date expenditures totaling \$139,304.
- Dewey Cave, MRCOG Executive Director, stated that an exit conference had been completed with the auditors and the audit report should be available by December 1, 2011.
- With the excellent work from Jesse, Ramona & staff, this is the first audit with no findings since the COG took over the contract in 2003.

Questions and Comments Followed.

FINAL ACTION ITEMS

There were two action items to discuss and vote on – All items were passed unanimously by voice vote.

Passed by voice vote

- Approval of PY11 Modifications to the Two Year Addendum of the Five Year Plan
- WCCNM Representative Election/Bernalillo County

Tab 3: Approval of PY11 Modifications to the Two Year Addendum of the Five Year Plan - by Ramona Chavez, WIA Administrator

- Mr. Chavez, presented the PY11 Modifications to the Two Year Addendum of the Five Year Plan.

- She explained that the modification brings the program in line with the New Mexico Department of Workforce Solutions and their requirement to update the Plan every two years.
- If approved, this Plan will be presented to the Chief Elected Officials on Thursday, November 17th.
- Ms. Chavez also stated that the WCCNM must receive approval to maintain compliance with State and Federal requirements.
- Some of the changes within the Plan pertain to Labor Market Information (LMI) that has taken place over the last two years, and updates to ARRA funding information which expired on June 30, 2011.
- These changes outlined in the plan places us back on track to continue to provide services in our Region.

Motion to approve: Norman Ration

Second: Dr. Susan Murphy

Discussion

Action: Passed by voice vote

Tab 4: WCCNM Representative Election/Bernalillo County - by Ramona Chavez, WIA Administrator

- Ms. Chavez, explained that Mr. Rodman has resigned from the Board, he was the Bernalillo County Representative for the Executive Committee.
- As required by the Full Board we need to assign a county representative to fill that position on the Committee.
- Mr. Sapien asked that the Bernalillo County Representatives break into a group to select a representative to fill the seat on the Executive Committee.
- Manuel Casias was selected be the Bernalillo County Representative.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Tab 5: Career Pathways Update – by Jerilynn Sans, WCCNM Planner

- Emily Salazar, provided an update on the Career Pathways grant; she stated that some of groups they met at the conferences were learning relationships and models with good resources, and were willing to help with any assistance that we might need for the future.
- Sherry TenClay, stated that they went under budget by \$5,000 and many of their group have agreed to continue the discussion even though the grant has ended.
- Rita Gallegos Logan, stated that one thing the committee wanted to do was look at the IBEST Models in DC.

Tab 6: Update of State Energy Sector Partnership (SESP) – by Ramona Chavez, WIA Administrator & Odes Armijo-Caster

- Ms. Chavez, gave update on the SESP Grant.
- She explained that the Centers of Excellence were selected within the four areas of training: solar, wind, bio-fuels and energy efficiencies.

- In the Central Region, CNM-Workforce Training Center was named the Center of Excellence for the solar industry, which is the main focus of the Central Region.
- Mesa Lands Community College received the grant for wind, and Santa Fe Community College received grants for energy efficiencies and bio-fuels.
- Odes Armijo-Caster stated that we will receive an additional \$250,000 with a possibility of receiving an additional funding from the other areas that are having a hard time spending the money.

Tab 7: Business and Career Centers Update – by Art Martinez, NMDWS

- Mr. Martinez, gave update on Business and Career Center activities.
- Over the past couple of months there has been 20% increase in activity at the Centers.
- This increase is due to the increase of unemployment, unemployment benefits ending, and people looking for work and training opportunities.
- Mr. Martinez explained that from 2008 to 2011 there has been a 29,000 job loss in the Central Region.

Questions & Comments followed.

Tab 8: WIA Status Updates – by Dewey Cave, MRCOG Executive Director & Ramona Chavez, WCCNM Administrator

- Mr. Cave, stated that the Business & Career Center in Valencia County has been relocated from Belen to Los Lunas.
- Ms. Chavez explained that NMDWS is providing us with an additional \$58,000 of National Emergency Grant (NEG) funding, helping with the long term unemployed.
- The State Energy Sector Partnership Grant (SESP) may also yield the possibility of receiving additional \$500,000.
- The Northern Region is partnering with the Central Region on a Health Care Career to Success Grant, these are H1B monies that have been restricted and given back for grant opportunities.
- Ms. Chavez introduced the new Youth Council Chair, Rosa Auletta.

REPORTS

Committee Reports - None

PUBLIC COMMENT/ADJOURNMENT

- **Public Comment – None.**
- **Adjournment – 3:22 pm**

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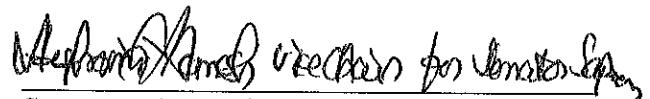
Next Meeting:

Date: Monday, December 19, 2011

Time: 1:30 pm

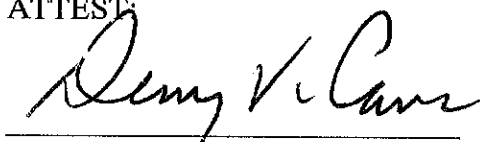
Location: Mid-Region Council of Governments - Board Room

Approved at the February 27, 2012 WCCNM Special Full Board Meeting:



Senator John Sapien, WCCNM Chair

ATTEST:



Secretary